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OFFICE OF FEDERAL PROCUREMENT POLICY

POLICY LETTER NO. 76-1

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TO THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ESTABLISHMENTS

SUBJECT: Federal Procurement Policy Concerning Energy Conservation

Public Law 94-163, the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, establishes a number of Federal energy conservation measures, one of which is to promote energy conservation and efficiency through procurement policies and decisions of the Federal Government. Responsibility for this program was delegated to me by Section 3 of Executive Order 11912, April 13, 1976.

In the furtherance of this program, you are requested to ensure that the principles of energy conservation and efficiency are applied in the procurement of property and services whenever the application of such principles would be meaningful and practicable and consistent with agency programs and operational needs. These principles may be appropriate for application, along with price and other relevant factors, in the formulation of purchase requests and solicitations and during the evaluation and selection of bids and proposals. In addition, with respect to procurement of consumer products, as defined under Part B of Title III (42 U.S.C. 6291) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, agencies should take cognizance of energy use/efficiency labels (42 U.S.C. 6294) and prescribed energy efficiency standards (42 U.S.C. 6295).

Specific procedural implementation of this policy will be promulgated in the Armed Services Procurement Regulation and the Federal Procurement Regulations.

Hugh E. Witt Administrator